I'm an EMS dispatcher, and I've been working the midnight run for the last year and a half. I swear that the station I work at is haunted.

I have a camera system that shows me the ambulance bay, so I can close the garage doors after units leave or make sure no one is out there that shouldn't be, but every now and again it will glitch out and I will see movement - a quick blur across the bay, or down the staircase from the storage area upstairs, or across the cameras themselves. Sometimes the camera feed will just cut out, and I'll get the -NO SIGNAL- across my screens, and then they'll come back up, but every time they come back up, just after they do, I swear that I see a guy standing dead center of the ambulance bay, blurry features, but staring up at the cameras.

Every. Single. Time.

So the thing I love and hate most about my job is that I'm the only dispatcher in my office. The police and Sheriff dispatchers are housed in separate buildings. Most of the calls I take are called in either from nursing homes, or transferred over from the police dept, since they do the initial pickup when someone dials 911, but every now and again someone will dial my direct line - typically when they don't want the police or fire department to show up with the ambulance. Those calls are always the weirdest.

- >be me, 3AM, everyone in the station is asleep except me >direct line rings
- >"Name of company, what's your emergency?"
- >weird static on the other end of the line, and then a tiny, quiet female voice says "I can't do it any more"
- >"Can't do what any more, miss? Could you please speak up? What's your address?"
- >quiet sobbing
- >"Miss?"
- >I don't want to live any more.
- >"Miss, I'm sorry you feel that way, do you want to talk about this? Can you tell me where you are?"
- >line goes dead

- >Call the police dept, and ask if they have the phone number they called from in their system and if they have a location for the number
- >They give me the address, say they're sending an officer out
- >I wake up an EMS crew and send them to the address
- >EMS crew calls me from the scene, weird static on their phone as they're talking, house is and has been abandoned for years, no one there
- >Number that the call came from was disconnected 2 years ago and never reactivated per the phone company after PD starts digging into this
- >House belonged to a 21 y/o girl who shot herself, the house was willed to her from her parents who died in a car accident

## Also:

Another 911 call, because I'm off tonight and bored at home.

- >"Name of company, what's your emergency?"
- >beeping noise on the line, like a fucking numbers station or something
- >"Hello?"
- >Say hello 2-3 more times, no answer, just continual beeping
- >Hang up, about to call PD to get a trace on the number, when the number calls back
- >Answer the same way I always do
- >YOU NEED TO HELP ME I NEED PARAMEDICS NOW
- >beeping in background continues
- >"Sir, can I have your address please? What's going on today that you need EMS?"
- >beeping
- >"Sir, please answer me."
- >beeping, heavy breathing
- >SEND ME HELP
- >Line goes dead
- >I pull number up in my system to see if it's a patient we've had before while I'm calling PD
- >It's an address we've been to before, old man who lives alone, it's out of the city and in the county somewhere, call Sheriff, ask

them to send a deputy

- >Wake up a crew and send them, tell them the story and the medic says "I don't like the sound of this"
- >They all get on scene, 15 mins after that I try and raise my crew on the radio
- >They answer, saying that it's a Signal 43 (dead on arrival), please call the coroner, we'll give you a public service (they're going to call me on the phone rather than tie up the radio)
- >Medic says "Anon, this guy has been dead at least a day, and he has no family. Do you know who the call came from? Sheriff asked for more deputies because he doesn't see signs of entry and no one lives with this guy."
- >I have no idea who made the call. Did you guys find out what the beeping noise was?
- >"Yeah, the beeping noise was from his medic alert button, did the alarm company maybe call you?"
- >I call the alarm company associated with that address, they never got an alarm activation signal from the house, which is weird because they had gotten an activation two days before this because he accidentally bumped the button

I have a ton. Some of the calls start out spoopy and end up being nothing, though. The really creepy/scary ones are few and far between generally. It makes me sad I'm not working tonight, because Halloween is always amazing for both creepy and hilarious calls.

## >PD dispatch calls me

- >"Hey we need an ambulance to 123 Awesome St, I've got officers on scene with a male in his 30s who is threatening suicide. He is armed so wait for the officers to clear the crew to enter, also he's threatening to overdose."
- >okay.jpg
- >Wake up the crew, fill them in on the details
- >Half way to the scene, PD dispatch jumps on my radio freq and tells the crew that they're clear to approach
- >Detect slight giggling from the police dispatcher when she tells them this
- >Cops are laughing their asses off when they get on scene

- >Guy was armed with a ridiculous toy cap gun that doesn't even fire projectiles of any kind
- >When they pointed that out to him he screamed that he'd set his hair on fire with it
- >The pills he was set to OD on were like 5 tylenol
- >great job on your an hero bro

I laughed so hard when the crew came back and told me the story, since it started out as a very tense serious call.

## Another actually scary 911 call:

- >"Name of company, what's your emergency?"
- >I need help for my mommy
- >"Ok, what is your address?"
- >555 Skeleton St
- >"What's wrong with your mommy?"
- >She won't wake up, I keep trying but she won't wake up
- >"Ok, where is she right now?"
- >On the floor in the kitchen, she's really cold so I covered her up with a blanket
- >"Ok, what's your name?"
- >Mike, I'm 5
- >"Ok, Mike, can you tell me if she's breathing?"
- >How do I tell?
- >"Well, is her chest moving up and down? Can you feel the air coming out of her nose?"
- >There's some air coming out, she's not breathing a lot though
- >"What do you mean not a lot?"
- >Well I'm breathing lots of times but she's only breathing once in a while
- >Send crew out, notify PD for a cop
- >"Ok, stay on the phone with me until they get there Mike, and tell me if she stops breathing or if something happens, ok?"
- >Ok, but I can't stay on the phone long, I won't \*muffled sounds\*
- >"They're on the way Mike, don't worry, we'll help her the best that we can, ok?"
- >Ok, I hear the sirens coming, that must be them
- >"Yes, they're really close, can you let them in the door when

they get there?"

- >I can go unlock it
- >He hangs up the phone
- >Crew comes back and tells me that there was no kid in the house, woman had overdosed on heroin, would have died on the floor had the call not been made
- >She had a kid once, he died at 5 in a house fire at his biological dad's house
- >Has no other kids
- >I play the call back for the crew and the cops since they came over to find out what the hell was going on with that call >Everyone nopes out of the dispatch office, goosebumps er'rywhere

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Wouldn't that be like, a legit audio recording of a ghost?

D-do you still have it?

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Yes, it would be an audio recording of a ghost, and yes, the recording still exists. I just need to find it in our call archives. After 1 year, the calls are moved off of our server and put into digital archive, and all of the calls are also archived on CD. Since it was more than a year ago when this happened (I believe it was April 2013, maybe May) I'll have to go looking for it in the archives.

I'm working tomorrow night, and if I have time and can find them I promise to get these recordings for you guys.